



STATE OF IDAHO

DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND OPPORTUNITY
FOR A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING AN APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT TO
CONSTRUCT AND AMENDMENT TO A TIER I OPERATING PERMIT**

PROPOSED ACTION: In accordance with IDAPA 58.01.01.209.05.c, the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) announces a public comment period and opportunity for a public hearing for J. R. Simplot Company, located 2 miles west of Caldwell on Highway 19, under docket No. AQ-0722. The application is to remove the current line 4 dryer, and to replace the line 4 french fry potato fryer with a line 4 pre-formed potato fryer. This modification does not increase emissions. DEQ proposes to issue Permit to Construct No. P-2007.0073.

PUBLIC HEARING OPPORTUNITY: Pursuant to Section 58.01.01.364, opportunity for a public hearing for interested persons to appear and submit written or oral comments may be provided if written requests are submitted to the undersigned on or before August 16, 2007. Hearing requests should include a brief statement explaining why a public hearing on the air quality aspects of the project would be beneficial.

The selected meeting site will be accessible to the physically disabled. Interpreters can be provided upon five days notice for persons with hearing impairments. For arrangements, contact the undersigned at (208) 373-0234. Braille or taped transcripts can be provided after the meeting for persons with visual impairments.

AVAILABILITY OF MATERIALS: The application materials, the proposed permit and Statement of Basis are available for public review on DEQ's website at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov>.

SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS, ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS: Anyone may submit written comment regarding the project and proposed action. To be most effective, comments should address air quality considerations and include support materials where available. Comments, requests, and questions regarding the public comment process should be directed to Joan Lechtenberg, Department of Environmental Quality, 1410 N. Hilton, Boise, ID 83706-1255, joan.lechtenberg@deq.idaho.gov, or (208) 373-0234. Please reference the company name and docket number when sending comments or requesting information. All information regarding this matter, current and future, including the issuance of the final permit and Statement of Basis will be available on DEQ's website. You may elect to sign on to DEQ's list server and receive electronic information automatically at <http://www.deq.idaho.gov>. If you do not have web access you may review the materials on our website at the DEQ Regional Office located at 1445 N Orchard, Boise.

For technical assistance on questions concerning this project or the permitting process, please contact Robert Baldwin at (208) 373-0502 or robert.baldwin@deq.idaho.gov.

All written comments concerning this proposal must be directed to and received by the undersigned on or before 5:00 p.m. MDT, August 29, 2007.

DATED this 23rd day of July 2007.

Joan Lechtenberg
Air Quality Division